

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, The Deluxe Hotel is an original structure that was built in 1883 by railroad supervisor, Charles H. Prior, and his wife 2 months before there was a town of Woonsocket and 6 years prior to South Dakota becoming a state; and,

Whereas, On August 12, 1903, Joseph Lane and Margaret Kirby Brown bought the Deluxe Hotel in Woonsocket, South Dakota, for \$2,250; and,

Whereas, In 1926, the granddaughter of J.L. and Margaret Brown, Delores Brown Bissell, was born in the Deluxe Hotel, and Delores now owns and operates the hotel; and,

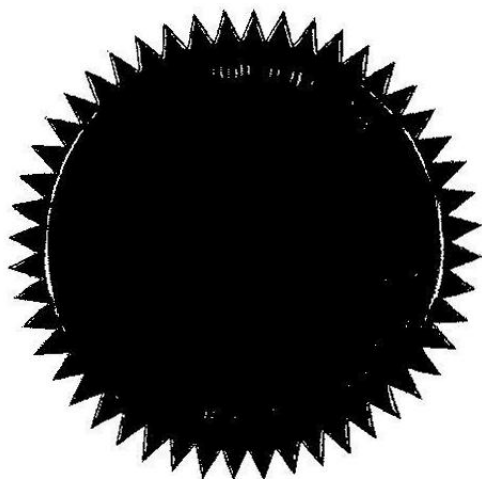
Whereas, The descendants of J.L. and Margaret Kirby Brown will gather in Woonsocket on August 2, 2003, to commemorate 100 years of family and hotel business history, and it is fitting and proper for the Governor of the state of South Dakota to recognize this special celebration:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 12, 2003, as

DELUXE HOTEL DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Sixteenth Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.



M. Michael Rounds

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State